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## MORNING HIGHLIGHTS UPDATE

Morning Highlights will be posted by 11:00 a.m., Monday-Friday. During times of significant fire activity, this report may be posted seven days a week.

The purpose of Morning Highlights is to supplement the information found in the AICC Situation report (see "Additional References" for the link). Morning Highlights will also provide direction to other sources of information. Any breaking news that occurs after 11:00 a.m. will be posted in a news release on the front page of the AICC website.

## **BURN PERMITS**

Burn permits are issued by the Alaska Division of Forestry. To obtain burn permits and information, please contact your local Division of Forestry office:

Fairbanks Area:	907-451-2626
Delta Area:	907-895-2106
Tok Area:	907-883-5134
Mat-Su District:	907-761-6312
Kenai-Kodiak Area:	907-260-4269
Valdez/ Copper River Area:	907-822-5536
Northern Southeast Area (Skagway/ Haines):	907-766-2120

For additional burn permit information, please visit: <a href="http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/burnpermits.htm">http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/burnpermits.htm</a>

## PRESCRIBED FIRE UPDATE

The Bureau of Land Management Alaska Fire Service (AFS), in cooperation with the U.S. Army Alaska, successfully conducted prescribed burns over the weekend (May 4, 2008) at Fort Richardson on 78 acres. The burn objectives were to decrease the amount of dead grass and increase the number of available training days for the Army by lessening the risk of fires started through military training activities.

For more information about AFS prescribed burns, please visit the AICC home page.

## **ADDITIONAL REFERENCES**

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <a href="http://fire.ak.blm.gov/">http://fire.ak.blm.gov/</a>
  - Map of Current Fires: <a href="http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php">http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php</a>
  - Situation Report: <a href="http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf">http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf</a>
    National Fire Situation: <a href="http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf">http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf</a>
- Creating Defensible Space: <a href="http://firewise.org/">http://firewise.org/</a>. and <a href="http://firewise.pdf">http://firewise.org/</a>. and <a href="http://firewise.pdf">http://firewise.org/</a>.
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <a href="http://511.alaska.gov/">http://511.alaska.gov/</a>
   Alaska Division of Forestry (Burn Permit Info): <a href="http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/">http://forestry.alaska.gov/fire/</a>
- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm
- National Parks Service: http://www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: <a href="http://www.nws.noaa.gov/">http://www.nws.noaa.gov/</a>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <a href="http://www.fws.gov/fire/">http://www.fws.gov/fire/</a>
- USDA Forest Service: http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <a href="http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/">http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc/</a>
- Federal Aviation Administration: http://www.faa.gov/

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